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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT KAUNDA'S FAREWELL LUNCHEON FOR AMBASSADOR

1. AT FAREWELL LUNCHEON, GIVEN BY PRESIDENT KAUNDA AND ATTENDED BY HIS CLOSEST PERSONAL ADVISORS AND RANKING MINISTERS, PRESIDENT SPOKE OF IMPROVED US-ZAMBIAN RELATIONS DURING AMBASSADOR'S TENURE, CULMINATING IN SECRETARY'S LUSAKA SPEECH. PRESIDENT EXPRESSED DEEP APPRECIATION FOR AMERICAN ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE OVER THE YEARS. HE SPOKE MOVINGLY OF HIS COMMITMENT TO PEACEFUL CHANGE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA, WHICH HE, AS A HUMANIST COULD ONLY ABANDON IF THERE NO CHANCE FOR PEACEFUL CHANGE TO SUCCEED. PRESIDENT REAFFIRMED HIS DEVOTION TO LIBERATION OF RHODESIA AND ESTABLISHMENT OF MAJORITY RULE IN THAT COUNTRY. HE THEN SAID ONLY SOLUTION FOR FREE, INDEPENDENT NAMIBIA WAS FOR SWAPO, AS ONLY OAU-RECOGNIZED POLITICAL FORCE IN NAMIBIA, TO ASSUME POWER. AT END OF SPEECH, PRESIDENT EXPRESSED HIS HOPE THAT US COMMITMENT TO MAJORITY RULE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA, AS AFFIRMED BY PRESIDENT FORD AND SECRETARY KISSINGER, WOULD BE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PRESIDENT IN THE US.

2. AMBASSADOR IN REPLY EXPRESSED GRATIFICATION FOR CORDIAL
RECEPTION SHE HAD ENJOYED IN ZAMBIA SINCE HER ARRIVAL,
AFFIRMED US COMMITMENT TO MAJORITY RULE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA,
AND DESCRIBED AMERICAN ECONOMIC AID WHICH WILL BE EXTENDED
TO ZAMBIA. THIS SHE POINTED OUT SHOULD BE SEEN AS A TOKEN OF
US CONCERN FOR THE ECONOMIC WELL BEING OF ZAMBIA AS ONE OF THE
FOUR FRONTLINE STATES, BEARING THE BRUNT OF THE STRUGGLE FOR
MAJORITY RULE IN ZIMBABWE AND NAMIBIA.
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